

BA1 (MAF above which a variant can be classified as BENIGN assuming a MENDELIAN framework)

$$\left(\frac{[\text{disease prevalence}] \times [\text{gene contribution}]}{[\text{average variant penetrance}]} \right) \xrightarrow[\text{Poisson distribution}]{95\% \text{ percentile of}} \geq 0.1\%$$

Assumptions (note: values deliberately set conservative to add “safety padding”)

- **Disease prevalence:** Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy is traditionally estimated to occur in 1/500 individuals¹ though recent estimates suggest that it may be higher². Dilated cardiomyopathy was initially estimated to occur in 1/2,500 individuals but like HCM is now estimated to be much more common³. Therefore, 1/200 individuals (1/400 chromosomes) was used as a “safe” value.
- **Penetrance:** Although *MYH7* is generally regarded as a “penetrant” cardiomyopathy gene, this is not well characterized at the variant level and therefore, to accommodate all variants, a penetrance value of 30% was used.
- **Gene contribution** was set at 10.6% based on the detection rate for HCM, which is the highest among *MYH7* associated cardiomyopathies⁴.

BS1 (MAF too high for disease)

$$\left(\frac{[\text{disease prevalence}] \times [\text{maximum pathogenic variant contribution}]}{[\text{average variant penetrance}]} \right) \xrightarrow[\text{Poisson distribution}]{95\% \text{ percentile of}} \geq 0.02\%$$

Assumptions

- **Disease prevalence:** 1/200 individuals (1/400 chromosomes)
- **Penetrance:** 30%
- **Maximum pathogenic variant contribution:** 2% based on *MYBPC3* variant p.Arg502Trp (Walsh et al. 2017⁵: 6,000 probands)
- **Note** that the FAF (95% poisson) is available for each variant in ExAC (<http://exac.broadinstitute.org/>).

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